Part-time fee grant (PTFG) levels - examples 2016-2017

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1 PTFG LEVELS

The level of tuition fee will be pro-rata on the number of Scottish Qualification Framework Credits (SCQF) you are studying. We will scale this down based on the maximum fee levels we award to full-time students. The maximum PTFG we can award will be:

- £1805 for publicly funded degree level courses,
- £1274 for publicly funded sub degree awards (HNC, HND, etc.)
- £1195 for all courses at private providers.

PTFG will be available for eligible students on eligible courses between 30-119 SCQF credits.

The existing tuition fee cut-off arrangements will remain. The level of fee payable will be dependent on the number of credits you are studying towards at the tuition fee cut-off date (1 December for autumn start courses). Students who increase their credits after the fee cut-off date will NOT get a top-up of additional fees.

If students are receiving fee support from a third party (e.g. employer), we will continue to take that amount off our PTFG award.

2 EXAMPLES

Example 1 – Student A is undertaking 90 credits of a degree course at university who is charging tuition fees of £1500 for the academic year 2015-2016.

SAAS maximum PTFG award = 90 credits/120 credits x £1820 (full-time fee level) = **£1365**

In this example, PTFG award is £1365 so you would need to make alternative arrangements to find the remaining £135.

Example 2 – Student B is undertaking 60 credits of a degree course at university who is charging tuition fees of £700 for the academic year 2016-2017.

SAAS maximum PTFG award = 60 credits/120 credits x £1820 (full-time fee level) = **£910.**

In this example, PTFG award is £700. Although we could offer support up to £910, the fee being charged is the lesser amount of £700.

Example 3 – Student C is undertaking 30 credits of an HNC course at college who is charging tuition fees of £321 for the academic year 2016-2017.

SAAS maximum PTFG award = 30 credits/120 credits x £1285 (full-time fee level) = **£321**

In this example, PTFG award is £321, which is the exact fee being charged.

Example 4 – Student D is undertaking 90 credits of an HNC course at college who is charging tuition fees of £880 for the academic year 2016-2017.

SAAS maximum PTFG award = 90 credits/120 credits x £1285 (full-time fee level) = **£964**

In this example, PTFG award is £880. Although we could offer support up to £964, the fee being charged is the lesser amount of £880.

Example 5 – Student E is undertaking 48 credits of an SVQ4 at a private training provider who is charging tuition fees of £670 for the academic year 2016-2017.

SAAS maximum PTFG award = 48 credits/120 credits x £1205 (full-time fee level) = **£482**

In this example, PTFG award is £482. You would need to make alternative arrangements for the balance of £188.

Example 6 – Student F is undertaking 78 credits of an SVQ4 course at college who is charging tuition fees of £950 for the academic year 2016-2017.

SAAS maximum PTFG award = 78 credits/120 credits x £1285 (full-time fee level) = **£835.**

In this example, PTFG award is £835. You would need to make alternative arrangements to find the remaining £115.

Example 7 – Student G is undertaking 46 credits of a PDA award at a private training provider who is charging tuition fees of £490 for the academic year 2016-2017.

SAAS maximum PTFG award = 46 credits/120 credits x £1205 (full-time fee level) = **£462**

In this example, PTFG award is £462. You would need to make alternative arrangements to find the remaining £28.

Example 8 – Student H is undertaking 100 credits of an SVQ4 at a private training provider who is charging tuition fees of £920 for the academic year 2016-2017.

SAAS maximum PTFG award = 100 credits/120 credits x £1205 (full-time fee level) = **£1004.**

In this example, PTFG award is £920. Although we could offer support up to £1004, the fee being charged is the lesser amount of £920.

Example 9 – Student I is undertaking 90 credits of an HND at college who is charging tuition fees of £964 for the academic year 2016-2017. The student's employer is paying £100 towards the fee costs.

SAAS maximum PTFG award = 90 credits/120 credits x £1285 (full-time fee level) = £964. **We then deduct the £100 from the employer giving a PTFG of £864.**

In this example, PTFG award is £864. The £100 from the employer makes up the shortfall.

Example 10 – Student J is undertaking 90 credits of modules leading to a degree at the Open University. The university is charging £1400 for the academic year 2016-2017.

SAAS maximum PTFG award = 90 credits/120 credits x £1820 (full-time fee level) = **£1365.**

In this example, PTFG award is £1365. You would need to find alternative arrangements to find the remaining £35.